108TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 897

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

February 25, 2003

Ms. McCollum (for herself, Ms. Baldwin, Mr. Berry, Ms. Bordallo, Mr. Boswell, Ms. Corrine Brown of Florida, Mr. Gutknecht, Mr. Kind, Mrs. Napolitano, Mr. Sabo, and Mr. Grijalva) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Resources

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Mississippi River Trail
- 5 Study Act".

1	SEC. 2. DESIGNATION OF ROUTE OF THE MISSISSIPPI
2	RIVER FOR STUDY FOR POTENTIAL ADDI-
3	TION TO THE NATIONAL TRAILS SYSTEM.
4	(a) Designation.—Section 5(c) of the National
5	Trails System Act (16 U.S.C. 1244(c)) is amended—
6	(1) by designating the first undesignated para-
7	graph after paragraph (40) as paragraph (41) and
8	by striking "The" and inserting "Long Walk
9	TRAIL.—The'; and
10	(2) by designating the second undesignated
11	paragraph after paragraph (40) as paragraph (42);
12	and
13	(3) by adding at the end the following new
14	paragraph:
15	"(43) Mississippi River Trail.—The route of the
16	Mississippi River from its headwaters in the State of Min-
17	nesota to the Gulf of Mexico.".
18	(b) RELATION TO OTHER STUDIES.—The study re-
19	quired by the amendment made by this section is intended
20	to complement, and not duplicate, other studies of the sce-
21	nic or historical importance of the Mississippi River that
22	may be underway or undertaken.